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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]
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SUBJECT : [REDACTED] Query on Belarus Tractor Production

REFERENCE : CIA/RR 126

We have received from [REDACTED] the following request 25X1C8c
for clarification of the above-mentioned report:

"In the recent CIA report "Recent Developments in the Tractor Industry of the U.S.S.R." (CIA/RR 126, ORR Project 32.1806, dated 11-3-58), the statement is made on page 16 that "... there was an increase in 1957 in the production of Belarus tractors at the Dnepropetrovsk plant (formerly subordinate to the [REDACTED] Industry). This plant produced 29,000 tractors in 1956 and was expected to produce 30,000 tractors in 1957." 25X1X7□

25X1X7□ [REDACTED] would like to know the basis for the statement 25X1X7□
25X1X7□ that the Dnepropetrovsk plant was "formerly subordinate to the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Industry", and the reasons for attributing production of 29,000 tractors in 1956 and 30,000 in 1957 to this plant. While we agree that a sizeable surplus of Belarus tractor production does remain to be allocated to former [REDACTED] Industry factories, we should like to know the reasons for attributing the whole total to this one plant. While we have heard that some Belarus tractors have been built here, we do not currently hold this plant as a major producer."

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